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In the application of:) Confirmation No. 6299
JOE L. HURST et al.) GROUP ART UNIT 3725
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For: WEAR RESISTANT NAIL MANUFACTURING TOOL INSERTS) Edward Thomas Tolan February 28, 2003

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AMENDMENT

This paper is responsive to the written Restriction Requirement mailed January 31, 2003. Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be reconsidered in view of the remarks which follow. Please amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims 31-38:

31. (New) The nail cutter, according to claim 22 wherein said acute locating angle is between 90-150 degrees.

32. (New) The nail cutter, according to claim 27 wherein said acute locating angle is between 90-150 degrees.

33. (New) A nail die assembly having clamping jaws and a cutter nail, said cutter nail comprising:
a cutter body; and
a hard material cutter insert,
wherein said cutter body includes a pentagonal pocket having an acute locating angle for positioning and retaining said cutter insert in position.